

NOTES

USF Board of Trustees
Consolidation, Accreditation & Preeminence Committee
Tuesday, May 14, 2019
Time: 8:45 AM – 9:30 AM
Marshall Student Center, Room 3707

I. Call to Order and Comments

Chair Hal Mullis called the meeting to order at 8:20 AM. A quorum was confirmed by President Judy Genshaft, with the following Trustees present:

Trustee Hal Mullis Trustee Stephanie Goforth Trustee Byron Shinn

II. New Business – Action Items

a. Approval of Minutes – February 12, 2019

A motion was made and seconded. Approved by all committee members present.

IV. New Business – Information Items

a. Consolidation and Accreditation Update

Provost Ralph Wilcox began by reviewing the progress already made in consolidation, and noted that the Consolidation Implementation Plan and Timeline was submitted to the BOG on March 13, 2019. The next report is due to SACSCOC in March 2020. He introduced the members of the Accreditation Steering Committee, whose primary charge is to coordinate and oversee development of the SACSCOC Substantive Change Prospectus and prepare for next year's accreditation site visit.

He described the Committee's first meeting on April 8, at which roles and responsibilities were clarified, as were rules of engagement and limiting SACS contacts to only four – the President, Provost, SACS Liaison, and General Counsel. Lead writers were assigned for the 10 sections; a conceptual framework for the prospectus narrative was agreed upon; and consistent terminology was defined. He also noted that the Morsani College of Medicine was identified as an instructional site per SACSCOC definitions.

Provost Wilcox reported that the prospectus and data tables are well underway, and that unified structures have been established for USF Admissions to be effective May 1, 2019 and for Student Success to be effective June 1, 2019. He emphasized the importance of centralized reporting to the Dean of Admissions and USF Vice President for Student Success, which also has been established.

Tenure and Promotion guidelines for the consolidated institution have been approved by each campus faculty senate and the expectation is that the USF System Faculty Council will approve this week. USF System Faculty President and Trustee Deanna Michael offered thanks for the transparency of the process. Provost Wilcox affirmed that "we are all one team."

Provost Wilcox concluded by highlighting progress on a General Education framework, the massive undertaking of curricular alignment with thanks to Vice Provost Terry Chisolm and her team, and the creation of a university-wide Intercampus Consolidation Committee for Curriculum Chances (ICCCC) to approved curriculum alignment and integrations plans. He noted that the original timeline has slowed somewhat to provide the President-elect time to contribute and participate in planning and decisions.

A discussion ensued, which concluded with the chair's admonition to notify the committee of any and all needs including input and even special meetings, as required.

IV. Adjournment

Chair Mullis adjourned the meeting at 8:59am.